

REMARKS

Claims 46-72 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 29-45 are canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter, and claims 46-72 are added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following Remarks is respectfully requested.

The courtesy extended to Applicants' representative during the December 7, 2004 personal interview with Examiner Jung are gratefully appreciated. The points discussed during the personal interview are reemphasized in this Amendment.

The Office Action rejects claims 29-37 and 39-45 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 29-37 and 39-45 are canceled. Thus, the rejection of these claims is moot.

The Office Action rejects claim 32 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Claim 32 is canceled. Thus, the rejection of this claim is moot.

The Office Action rejects claims 29-37 and 39-45 under 35 U.S.C. §101. Claims 29-37 and 39-45 are canceled. Thus, the rejection of these claims is moot.

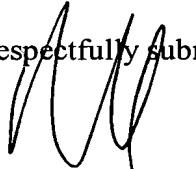
The Office Action rejects claims 29-37 and 39-45 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over alleged admitted prior art. Claims 29-37 and 39-45 are canceled. Thus, the rejection of these claims is moot.

During the personal interview, the Examiner agreed that the prior art discussed in the Applicants' specification does not disclose or suggest the subject matter of new claims 46-72. Thus, the Examiner indicated that the rejections in the Office Action will be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 46-72 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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